

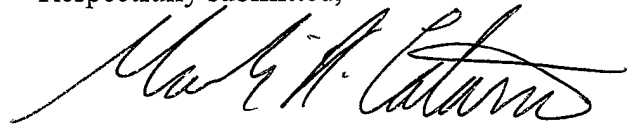
Claims 4-6, 10-14 and 18-20 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Galy in view of Hocknell et al (which is owned by Callaway Golf Company, the assignee of the Present Application). Hocknell discloses a face area of 4.0 to 7.5 square inches, which makes reference to the front wall of the club head. Further, Hocknell also discloses a wood-type golf club head.

To better define the Present Invention over the cited art, claims 1, 4, 10, 13, 14 and 20 have all been amended to limit the claims to having the heel arc member and the toe arc member of the peripheral belt attached to the face portion, support for which is found at paragraph [0040] of the Specification. Also, claims 1, 4, 10, 13, 14 and 20 have all been amended to limit the claims to having a heel space defined by the heel arc member and the body, and a toe space defined by the toe arc member and the body, support for which is found at paragraph [0042] of the Specification.

It is believed that the claims are now allowable. The Applicants therefore respectfully solicit a Notice of Allowance.

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